GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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Production of Edible Oil
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of edible oils has been affected because of the damage to the oilseeds crops;
(b) if so, the estimated production of edible oils in the country and the projected shortfall during the current year;
(c) whether steps have been taken by the Government to meet the demand of edible oils in the country; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)
(a): Yes Madam.
(b): Estimated production and projected shortfall of edible oils for current oil year 2015-16(Nov.-Oct.) is tabled below:-
Quantity in Lakh tons

Estimated production of oilseed in current oil year2015-16 (Nov.-Oct)*	Estimated production of edible oil in current oil year2015-16 (Nov.-Oct)	Projected shortfall of edible oil in current oil year2015-16 (Nov.-Oct)
263.39	95.39	155.00

*Based on 2nd Advance Estimate(declared by Ministry of Agriculture on 15.02.2016)
(c) & (d): To meet the demand of edible oils in the country, the import of edible oils has been allowed under Open General License (OGL) and import duty on edible oils is reviewed from time to time. Export of edible oils has been banned since 17.03.2008 with some exceptions. Further in order to increase production of oilseeds and hence edible oils, a National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) is being implemented in country since year-2014-15 by Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare. NMOOP comprise of three Mini-Mission (MM) viz MM-I (Oilseeds), MM-II (Oil Palm) and MM-III (Tree Borne Oils). Under the mission, assistance is being provided to farmers for various components/ interventions to increase oilseed production.
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